## **ADMINISTRATIVE CIRCULAR NO. 219**

Office of Secondary Schools

## SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Date: November 13, 2018

**To:** Senior High School Principals

Subject: YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEY

**Department and/or** 

**Persons Concerned:** Principals

**Due Date:** March 22, 2019

**Reference:** None

**Action Requested:** Complete surveys by March 22, 2019

## **Brief Explanation:**

As part of a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), all senior high schools are required to complete the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) conducted by the Sexual Health Education Program (Athletics, P.E., Health and Wellness Department).

The YRBS was developed by CDC and is the primary instrument used nationwide to gather health information about adolescents. The survey includes questions concerning alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use; nutrition, physical exercise, and obesity; intentional and unintentional injuries; and sexual behavior. The YRBS is an important component in the development of programs that promote healthy behaviors in the young people of our district and has been implemented district-wide for the past thirty years. For additional information, please go to <a href="https://www.sandiegounified.org/YRBS">www.sandiegounified.org/YRBS</a>.

The YRBS will be conducted at the beginning of Spring Semester, from February 4–March 22, 2019. A small number of classes (between 2-8 classes per high school) including grades 9-12 will be randomly selected by a CDC-generated algorithm. Our program will collaborate directly with the selected classroom teachers to schedule these surveys, and your site will receive a copy of the 2019 YRBS questionnaire for parents to preview.

Please contact the Sexual Health Education Program at (619) 725-7121 for additional information about the YRBS. Thank you for your assistance.

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